



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application of: Franciscus B.G.
Benneker, *et al.*

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Petition for Extension of Time Under 37 CFR 1.136(a)

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

November 27, 2000

Sir:

Further to the Notice of Appeal filed August 4, 2000, causing the Appeal Brief to be due on October 4, 2000, applicants hereby petition for a two (2) month extension of time until December 4, 2000 for filing the Appeal Brief. The required petition fee under 37 CFR 1.17(a)(2) in the amount of \$390.00 is enclosed herewith.

Should the Examiner have any questions regarding this matter, she is encouraged to contact Mark R. Buscher (Reg. No. 35,006) at 703 753 8791.

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